

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1- 3 (canceled)

4. (new) A method for producing nozzle-type openings in spray arms for dishwasher machines, comprising:

removing, via laser, material on the surface of a spray arm blank after the spray arm blank has been produced so as to form nozzle-type openings in the spray arm blank.

5. (new) The method for producing nozzle-type openings according to claim 4, wherein the step of removing, via laser, material on the surface of a spray arm blank includes removing material so as to form nozzle-type openings having shapes deviating from a circular shape.

6. (new) A device for producing nozzle-type openings in spray arms for dishwasher machines, comprising:

a device for releasably securing the spray arm blank in a fixed position; and

a laser disposed relative to the arranged on the device for releasably securing the spray arm blank in a fixed position, the laser being operable to remove material on the surface of a spray arm blank secured in the fixed position so as to form nozzle-type openings in the spray arm blank.